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Sent: Monday, April 02, 2007 7:16 AM

To: governor@gov.state.ak.us

Subject: Health_Care

Web mail from: Mr. John Wanek

address: 17642 Toakoana Way Eagle River AK 99577

MESSAGE:

This is a second request for consideration of placement as a member of Governor Palin's Alaska Health

Strategies Planning Council. As the current President of the Alaska Pharmacist Association and a strong

supporter of Governor Palin's administration, I am hopeful of being able to serve in a capacity to give

pharmacies input in the development of a healthcare strategy for the 21st century. Additionally, I am

practicing pharmacist at the Veteran's Adminstration and so I can bring a different viewpoint to the

discussion from other healthcare providers. The federal government is having more and more impact on the

provision of healthcare at the state level due to the Budget Deficit Reduction act. As a federal

pharmacist I can speak to the use of formularies and other strategies for cost reduction while

maintaining excellant access and quality personalized care. Walter Reed may have had problems, but the

Alaska VA is a top notch institution with excellant patient/veteran sat!

isfaction. Finally, I would urge you to consider more than one pharmacist on this panel and I know that

both Bill Altland and Sharon Hamrick could bring another valued viewpoint to the Council unique to their

practice sites. Bill is a private community pharmacist working in a small community and Sharon has been

a pharmacit for the State of Alaska for a number of years with expertise in Pandemic preparation and

Public Health. All of us are qualified so any will be an excellant choice to bring pharmacies

perspective to plans for the future of healthcare. Thank you Governor for open and responsive

government. As I told you at the Governors Inaugural Ball at the Egan Center, the pharmacists of Alaska

are behind you 100%.

johnwanek@hotmail.com

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Subject: Boards_and_Commissions

Web mail from: Mr. Donald Fox

address: Box 2971 Kodiak AK 99615

MESSAGE:

Would like to compliment you on your last two appointments to the BOF plus your previous appointment Of

Larry Edfeldt to serve again. Im also a big fan of Denby Llyods appointment to be commissiioner of F&G.

Ive been a member of the Kodiak Fish and Game Advisory Committee for over tenty years and am currently

its secretary I would like to put my know forward to be considered for any vacancies on the Board of

Game. Denby Lloyd knows me as does Larry Van Dael our local head of the game department . Please consider

my name.

yours truly Donald T. Fox

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I'll wait to hear from the higher powers for direction....

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I will be in the Juneau office sometime around 2:30 this afternoon. Is there any chance we could do it this afternoon?

Sharon

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Welcome back to town!!!

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Subject: FYI: City of Unalaska- Gift from reception, 8 pounds of King Crab

Hello Governor,

Mayor Shirley Marquardt of Unalaska dropped off 8 pounds of King Crab at the House 3/29. It's in the freezer downstairs, and Stefani will use it for a family meal or a lunch or dinner event..., **unless** you have something else you'd like to use it for.

Thanks,
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Hello to both you, Madam Governor and Lt Governor Parnell,

We didn't have much time to talk at the interview here in Nome Saturday 1515-1545 (Madam Governor, you were stuck in Anchorage waiting for a mechanical problem with the jet when the Lt Governor met with myself, Sue Steinacher, Karen Olanna, Dian Haecker, and Nancy McGuire the two latter being from the Nome Nugget, the three former being members or board members of the Bering Straits Citizens for Responsible Resource Development.

I wanted to be sure that you had a firm understanding of the issue we are having with the fast tracking of permits and being blindsided without proper public notification of applications that NovaGold and its subsidiary Alaska Gold Company are putting forth to mine for gold in our home.

First, The Rock Creek Mine: The community of Nome knew about a mine that was going to be started at the site prior to the permitting process in August of 2005, but what we did not know was that the mine would be using sodium cyanide to leach the gold ore. The public notice period was short and there was nothing said about the use of cyanide in the public notice, so naturally the residents of Nome were not concerned. Only after we found out about the use of sodium cyanide did we become greatly concerned, but by that time the public hearing process was closed. There were already members of the community who were communicating back and forth re: what was happening. These people became the Board Members of the Bering Straits Citizens for Responsible Resource Development. We, in no way, want to stop mining in Nome. Nome has a rich history of gold mining. What we seek is to have it mined in a responsible manner. If you received my CD with the powerpoint presentation and notes you will now know the other side of the coin. The industry (Nova Gold Resources) will tell our legislatures that they intend on mining responsibly, however, the mere use of sodium cyanide does not fill me with confidence that the company is in fact wanting to mine responsibly and be a steward of the environment.

The Rock Creek site is only part of the story. It is the site where the sodium cyanide using the Forrest/MacCarthur method of gold extraction will take place. Big Hurrah is the other end of this project. It is another mine site located approx 50 road miles West of Rock Creek. This site has already been contaminated with sodium cyanide left over from the operation by The Dallas Company in the late 1950s. The discovery of the leaking cyanide barrels was brought forth by Pearl Johnson, who owns a fish camp downstream from the mine in Solomon, who contacted the AK Dept of Environmental Conservation to investigate in August of 1981. It remains a contaminated site, which Charlotte McCay of Bristol Engineering is supposed to be addressing with the situation with the ADEC's Doug Bauer. She had until March 30th, 2007 to respond. I will check the database to see if she did respond. Ore from the Big Hurrah location will be trucked back to the Rock Creek location for milling (there are separate issues with this process not addressed in the permitting of the Rock Creek site).

This has all been playing out since 2005 with BSC for RRD's litigation against the Army Corp of Engineering taking the permitting process for the Rock Creek site back to the starting block. And, as Sue stated, the permit being pulled by the Army Corp of Engineering leaving the judge no choice but to drop the case, leaving the Army Corp of Engineering the leeway to reinstate the permit, again with no public comment period.

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Now, we have another issue to deal with and the same permitting process falling to the wayside in regards to the exploration of and eventual placer mining of Dry Creek, which runs directly behind my home, my mother's home, my brother's home and several other people's homes in Icy

View where the noise and possible air, water and soil disturbances would make life very difficult for us as residents of this area. And again, the fact that Nova Gold plans on having heavy machinery running from 0600 to 2200 from June 15 to October 31st right behind the hospital facilities we have here in Nome. This will disturb the recovering patients in the hospital as well as our elders who stay at the Quyanna Care Center, a long term care facility attached to the hospital for elders and those who are disabled and unable to be taken care of adequately at home. Being a Nurse Practitioner working for my patient's well being I can honestly say that if this operation is permitted I will lose sleep during the season and times of operation. And again, no public notice was sent out to any of the newspapers, Post Office or City offices along with the application for the mining of Dry Creek.

Hope this is helpful in putting all of this information into perspective for you.

Most sincerely,

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P.S. If you check out the Dry Creek Project on Nova Gold's Website...the photo they use is at least 30 years old. There are more homes in Icy View than that photo depicts.
http://www.novagold.net/s/NomeProjects.asp

As always, I do not represent Norton Sound Health Corporation's view on these issues. I am a private resident of Nome and have been since 1970.